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Title: IMAGING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE

SAME (AS AMENDED)

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c))

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#### Dear Commissioner:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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